**PROCEEDINGS** 

of the

Thirty-seventh General Assembly

of the

# Disciples of Christ

of

## NORTH CAROLINA,

CONVENED WITH

Greenleaf Church, Greenleaf, Wayne County,

OCTOBER 23, 24, 25 AND 26, 1907.

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seven Councilmen are given power to settle all matters of dispute ay arise during the Assembly Year.

## PROCEEDINGS.

Greenleaf, N. C., Wednesday, October 23, 1907.

The General Assembly of the Disciples of Christ met this day in its Thirty-Seventh Annual Session at 11 o'clock a.m., with the Greenleaf Church, Greenleaf, N. C., Wayne County.

Elder W. A. James lined hymn Number 692: What Shall I Render to My God. Elder W. A. James read for a Guide Lesson the 23rd chapter of St. Matthew. A fervent prayer was offered by Elder J. B. Cornegy. The Guide Sermon was preached by Elder W. A. James, who preached from Matthew, 5th chapter, 20th verse: "For I say unto you, that except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven." The sermon was very pointed and he made a lasting impression upon the minds of his hearers. After a recess of 60 minutes, the Chief Elder, P. H. Howell, took the chair and lined and sung hymn Number 876: A Charge to Keep I Have. Elder E. W. Warren read the second chapter of the Phillippians. A fervent prayer was offered by Elder P. H. Howell. Second hymn Number 392, To-morrow, Lord is Thine.

The Chief Elder, P. H. Howell, then appointed the following brethren:

On Permanent Organization—Elders I. Darden, B. J. Gregory, J. F. Keys, B. J. Shaw; Brethren Samuel Pettiford, Thomas Edwards and J. W. Boon.

The brethren on Permanent Organization submitted the following report: for Chief Elder, W. A. James; Assistant Chief Elder, B. J. Gregory; Scribe, Elder J. C. Cordon; Assistant Scribe, Bro. J. H. Battle.

It was proposed by Elder A. H. Hargett and agreed by Elder A. G. Grantham, that the above named officers be elected as a whole. Carried.

It was proposed by Elder I. V. Keys and agreed by Elder W. M. Pettlford that Elders C. W. Whitaker and L. W. Tillet, conduct the Chief and his assistant to their chairs. Carried.

The Chief Elder, W. A. James, on taking the chair, addressed the Assembly in a lengthy speech upon the further advancement of Education and Christianity among the Disciples, and thanked them for the honorconferred upon him.

The Assistant Chief, Elder B. J. Gregory, upon taking his chair, thanked the Assembly for the honor conferred upon him.

The Scribe, J. C. Cordon, Sr., and Assistant Scribe, J. H. Battle, upon taking their chairs made pointed speeches, thanking the Assembly for the honors conferred upon them.

The Chief Elder, W. A. James, proceeded to appoint the following brethren: On the Order of Business, Elder C. R. D. Whitfield, Elder J. R. Green, Elder A. H. Hargett, Brethren George Godley, J. W. Boon and Augustus Phyrel.

On Preaching-Harmon Peel, Samuel Pettiford and W. M. King,

On Examination and Ordination—Elders J. F. Keys, L. W. Tillet, H. C. Speller, W. S. Wise and J. H. Frazier.

The brethren on the Order of Business submitted the following report:

- 1. Calling the roll of Elders.
- 2. Calling roll of Churches and Delegates.
- 3. Calling Sunday Schools.
- 4. That twenty shall constitute a quorum of the Assembly.
- 5. The Assembly shall meet at 9 o'clock a. m. and adjourn at 11 o'clock a. m.; reassemble at 2 o'clock p. m. and adjourn at 5 o'clock p. m., and ministers appointed to preach at certain hours are expected to be present.
- 6. The members of this Assembly shall hear the Chief. Any one failing to hear shall be expelled until he repents.
- 7. No member shall be allowed to speak more than twice on the same subject, or longer than five minutes at each time.
- 8. No brother shall interrupt another brother while he is speaking without permission from the speaker.

C. R. D. WHITFIELD,
J. R. GREEN,
A. H. HARGETT,
GEORGE GODLEY,
J. W. BOON,
AUGUSTUS PHYREL,
W. H. EATON,

Brethren.

It was proposed by W. R. James and agreed by H. W. Baum, that the report be received and adopted and the brethren discharged. Carried.

On Statistics-J. J. Ward and W. R. James.

On Evangelizing-C. R. D. Whitfield, I. Darden and I. V. Keys.

On Sunday Schools-W. J. Sawyers, R. B. Albritten and T. J. A. Mc-Laren.

On Temperance-E. W. Warren, A. G. Grantham and C. W. Whitaker.

On Grievances—W. C. Daniels, Peter Perry, Squire Cogdell, J. W. Chesson and A. M. Smallwood.

Text Taker-P. H. Holoway.

Finance Solicitors-J. R. Green and W. M. Pettiford.

Treasurer Protem-Samuel Pettiford.

The Brethren on Preaching made the following report: On to-night at 7:30 o'clock, Elder L. M. Simmons and Elder B. J. Shaw; on to-morrow at 11 o'clock, a. m. Elder J. F. Keys and Elder C. Long.

H. PEEL, S. PETTIFORD, W. M. KING,

Brethren

It was proposed by W. M. Pettiford and agreed by J. R. Green, that Brother Alonzo Artice be appointed mail carrier for the Assembly. Carried. It was proposed by W. R. James and agreed by Elder H. C. Speller, that the Assembly adjourn until to-morrow at 9 o'clock a. m.

Doxology and Benediction by the Chief Elder, W. A. James.

#### FIRST DAY-NIGHT SERVICES.

The services were opened by Elder B. J. Shaw, who used for the occasion hymn 228, "And Are We Yet Alive." Read for the evening's lesson the 3rd chapter of St. James. A fervent prayer was offered by Elder I. Darden. Second hymn, 566, "Am I a Soldier of the Cross."

The Finance Solicitors, Elders J. R. Green and W. M. Pettiford, solicited a collection, which resulted in \$5.13. Third Hymn, 56, "Thy Name Almighty Lord Shall Sound through Distant Land."

Elder L. M. Simmons preached from Acts, 14th chapter, and a portion of the 27th verse: "That God had done with them, and how He had opened the door of faith unto the Gentiles." Elder Simmons preached a very able sermon. Elder B. J. Shaw closed the sermon and extended an invitation and a good meeting prevailed. Doxology was sung. Benediction was pronounced by Elder C. R. D. Whitfield.

#### SECOND DAY-MORNING SESSION.

Thursday, October 24, 1907.

The Assembly met pursuant to adjournment at 9 o'clock a.m. The Chief Elder, W. A. James, in the chair. The Devotional services were conducted by Elder W. A. James, who lined Hymn 682, "Approach my soul the Mercy Seat, Where Jesus answers prayers." Read for the morning's lesson, the 13th chapter of Hebrews. Prayer was offered by Elder W. A. James. The Chief then announced the house ready for business.

It was proposed by Elder I. Darden and agreed by Elder E. W. Warren, that the proceedings of the previous day be read and adopted with the necessary corrections. Carried.

The Chief then called the roll of Elders, who represented by paying \$1.00, except those who were excused. (See roll of Elders.)

After which the Chief called for the Delegates, the following paid fifty cents: Harper Best, J. T. Taylor, G. A. S. King, R. B. Albritton, Jacob McCloud, George Godley, Peter Perry, Samuel Pettiford, Willie Baum, H. Merden, Maggie Riddick, H. W. Norman, Harmon Peel, W. H. Eaton, Clark Simmons, Allen Brooks, Bettie Boykin, W. M. Pearsall, P. B. Bess, P. H. Holloway, H. W. Baum, Robt. Edmenson, Thomas Edwards, Squire Cogdell, Augustus Phyrel, J. W. Boon, J. R. Reeves, Henry Keys, Wiley Rice, W. C. Daniels, W. P. Powells, J. W. Chesson, Wm. King, Isham Sutton, A. M. Smallwood, Eli Clark, E. W. Williams, E. D. Warren, Z. B. Quinley, James Richard, W. R. James, Wiley Barnes, John Moore.

It was proposed by Elder F. L. Hardy and agreed by Brother Allen Brooks, that Elder P. P. Jones be excused from paying \$1.00 for the year of 1906, on account of sickness.

The Chief then proceeded to call the roll of Churches, which responded, and were entered on the Statistics. (See Statistics.)

It was proposed by W. M. Pettiford and agreed by Jacob McCloud, that the order of the day be suspended and business continue one hour longer. Carried.

It was proposed by E. L. Whitfield and agreed by Jacob McCloud, that ministers, not able to pay \$1.00 be given 20 days to pay, and if from any cause he should fail to pay, he shall be marked "not paid," and held responsible at the next Assembly.

The Assembly adjourned until 2:00 o'clock p. m. Benediction by the Chief Elder, W. A. James.

#### SECOND DAY-EVENING SESSION.

The Assembly met pursuant to adjournment at 2:00 o'clock p. m. The Chief Elder, W. A. James, in the chair.

The Brethren on Preaching reported as follows: On to-night at 7:30 o'clock, Elder I. V. Keys and Elder P. H. Howell; on to-morrow at 11 o'clock a. m., Elder E. W. Warren and Elder E. D. Hill.

H. PEEL, S. PETTIFORD, W. M. KING,

Brethren.

It was proposed by T. V. Keys and agreed by C. Long, that new churches be called and entered on the Minutes. Carried. The new church at Black Creek, Wilson County, North Carolina, was received and entered on the Minutes. The new church at Rocky Point, Pender County, North Carolina, was received and entered on the Minutes. The new church at Battleboro, Nash County, North Carolina, was received and entered on the Minutes.

It was proposed by Elder C. Long and agreed by Elder W. M. Pettiford, that the Assembly accept of a gift of \$2.00 of the church at Goldsboro, N. C., for the Fellowship Fund. Carried.
It was proposed by Elder I. Darden and agreed by Elder J. B. Cornegy,

that the Assembly adjourn until to-morrow 9 o'clock a. m. (Friday.)

Doxology and Benediction by Chief Elder W. A. James.

#### SECOND DAY-NIGHT SERVICES.

The services were opened by Elder I. V. Keys, who lined Hymn 352, "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone." Read for a Scripture lesson the 10th chapter of Romans. Prayer was offered by Bro. Peter Perry. The Finance Solicitors lifted a collection which amounted to \$7.50, after which Elder P. H. Howell lined and sung Hymn 564. Elder P. H. Howell introduced Elder I. V. Keys, who preached from St. John, 17th chapter and 18th verse: "As Thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world." Elder Keys preached an able and pointed sermon. After which second brother, Elder P. H. Howell preached from St. John, 18th chapter and 8th verse: "Let these go their way." Elder Howell preached a soul-stirring sermon, and a good meeting prevailed. Elder P. H. Howell extended an invitation. Doxology and Benediction by Elder Elder C. R. D. Whitfield.

#### THIRD DAY-MORNING SESSION.

Friday, October 25, 1907.

The Assembly met pursuant to adjournment at 9 o'clock a. m., the Chief Elder W. A. James, in the chair. The Devotional services were conducted by the Chief, who lined and sung Hymn 708, "Lord we come before Thee now." Read for the morning's lesson the 13th chapter of Romans. Prayer was offered by Elder W. A. James. Second Hymn 403, "Amazing grace how sweet the sound." After which the Chief announced the house ready for business.

It was proposed by L. W. Tillet and agreed by Thomas Edwards, that the proceedings of the previous day be read and adopted, with the necessary corrections. Carried.

It was proposed by F. L. Hardy and agreed by J. E. Dunn, that proposals Nos. 27 and 28, offered the Assembly, by the Chief, W. A. James, be received and adopted. Carried.

It was proposed by W. M. Pettiford and agreed by George Godley, that the order of the day be suspended and business continue one hour longer. Carried.

The new church at Jamesville, N. C., was received and entered on the Minutes.

It was proposed by E. L. Whitfield and agreed by P. P. Jones, that proposal of Minutes of 1906, be amended, that each member of the church pay Ten cents every three months, Institute funds, and the money collected on the East side of the Tar River be sent to the Treasurer, Elder W. A. James; and that on the West side of Tar River be sent to the Assistant Treasurer, Elder C. R. D. Whitfield. Carried.

It was proposed by W. R. Steeley and agreed by Isaac Battle, that ministers pay at the next General Assembly, 1908; (\$1.50) one dollar and fifty cents; and Delegates pay (\$1.00) one dollar. Proposal lost.

It was proposed by W. R. James and agreed by Samuel Pettiford, that the Assembly adjourn until 2:30 o'clock p. m.

#### PREACHING AT THE STAND.

The services were opened by Elder M. C. Stubb, who lined Hymn 180, "Show pity Lord" and read Galatians 4th chapter. A fervent prayer was offered by Elder B. J. Shaw. Elder J. R. Green solicited a collection, which was \$3.00. Elder E. D. Hill preached from Acts 2nd chapter and 14th verse: "But Peter standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice and said unto them, ye men of Judea and all ye that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and hearken to my words." Elder M. C. Stubb closed the sermon, and a good meeting prevailed. Benediction by Elder M. C. Stubb.

#### THIRD DAY-EVENING SESSION.

The Assembly met pursuant to adjournment at 2:30 o'clock p. m. The Chief Elder, W. A. James, in the chair. The Chief then announced the house ready for business. Prof. G. W. Reed and Dr. J. H. Love, D. D., of

Goldsboro, N. C., being present were introduced to the Assembly by Elder I. Darden. Prof. G. W. Reed addressed the Assembly, upon the great necessity of men carrying insurance and especially in the Company represented by him, the Royal Benefit Company. Dr. J. H. Love, D. D., addressed the Assembly upon Christianity and Morality.

The brethren on Preaching reported as follows, which was adopted: Elder W. S. Wise and Elder B. J. Gregory to preach to-night at 7:30 o'clock; on to-morrow at 11 o'clock a. m., Elder P. B. Rhem and Elder R. Moore.

HARMAN PEEL, SAMUEL PETTIFORD, W. M. KING,

Brethren.

It was proposed by Elder W. R. Steeley and agreed by J. W. Boon, that the proposal saying that ministers pay \$1.50 and Delegates \$1.00 at the next GeGneral Assembly be repealed. Carried.

It was proposed by Elder W. R. Steeley and agreed by Elder Isaac Battle that all ministers pay at the next General Assembly, \$1.50. Carried.

It was proposed by Bro. H. W. Baum and agreed by Bro. Samuel Pettiford, that Delegates pay at the next General Assembly, \$1.00. Carried.

It was proposed by George Godley and agreed by E. L. Whitfield, that ministers in the charge of church or churches, failing to report the Ten cents every three months, from each member, to the Treasurer, Elder W. A. James, on the East side of the Tar River and to the Assistant Treasurer, Elder C. R. D. Whitfield, on the West side of the Tar River, the matter shall be investigated and if the Pastor in charge cannot effect any good he shall be removed.

It was proposed by E. L. Whitfield and agreed by A. G. Phyrel, that the Assembly adjourn until to-morrow 9 o'clock a. m. Carried.

#### THIRD DAY-NIGHT SERVICES.

The services were opened by Elder B. J. Gregory, who lined Hymn 879, "Soldiers of Christ arise." Read for the evening's lesson the 6th chapter of the Ephesians. A fervent prayer was offered by Elder C. Long. The Finance Solicitors, Elders J. R. Green and W. M. Pettiford, took up a collection, which was \$7.10. Second hymn, 753, "On Jordan's stormy banks I stand," by Elder W. S. Wise. Elder B. J. Gregory preached from 1st Pet. 4th chapter and 18th vs.: "And if the righetous scarcely be saved, where will the ungodly and the sinner appear. Elder Gregory preached with much power. Elder W. S. Wise closed the sermon and extended an invitation, and we had a soul-stirring meeting. Elder I. Darden lifted a collection for the superannuated, which resulted in \$2.00. After singing Doxology, the Benediction was pronounced by the Chief Elder, W. A. James.

#### FOURTH DAY-MORNING SESSION.

Saturday, October 26, 1907.

The Assembly met pursuant to adjournment at 9 o'clock a. m. The Chief Elder, W. A. James, in the chair. Hymn 493, "How sweet, how

heavenly is the sight." Read for the opening, the 12th chapter of Paul's letter to the Romans. Prayer was offered by Elder W. A. James. The Chief then announced the house ready for business.

.It was proposed by C. Long and agreed by R. Moore, that the proceedings of the previous day be read and adopted, with necessary corrections. Carried.

The Finance Solicitors, Elders P. B. Rhem and I. Morris, who were sent out by the Union at Grifton, N. C., reported as follows:

Amount collected	
From Ministers of Union	4.45
Institute funds from different Churches	13.21
Total	\$24.31

It was proposed by Jacob McCloud and agreed by George Godley, that any church not able to send a delegate to the General Assembly shall represent by letter, the letter shall be sent to the Chief of the General Assembly. Carried.

It was proposed by Elder A. G. Grantham and agreed by Harmon Peel, that no preacher or member belonging with the Disciples shall not belong to any Secret Order. Carried. Amended by Elder E. W. Warren, those brethren and sisters that are in orders to come out and those out, stay out. Carried.

It was proposed by H. W. Baum and agreed by George Godley, that the brethren belonging to Orders be given one year for a reform. Carried.'

It was proposed by W. M. Pettiford and agreed by Bro. Jacob McCloud, that the Order of the day be suspended and business continued one hour and a half longer. Carried.

It was proposed by Elder I. Darden and agreed by Elder W. R. Steeley, that the Assembly buy an Assembly Record. Carried.

It was proposed by Bro. E. L. Whitfield and agreed by Elder T. H. Daniels, that Bro. J. H. Battle be appointed Recording Scribe, to record such proceedings of the General Assembly in said Record as are necessary. Carried.

It was proposed by Bro. Geo. Godley and agreed by Bro. Jacob McCloud, that each pastor appoint a finance solicitor in each of his congregations to collect the ten cents per quarter for the Institute at Greenville, N. C. Carried.

The Assembly adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m.

Preaching at the stand. Elder R. Moore opened the services by lining Hymn 160, "Dark was the night." Elder P. B. Rhem read the 1st chapter of John. Prayer was offered by Elder J. B. Cornegy. Second hymn, 365, "And can I yet delay." Elder P. B. Rhem preached from St. Mark, second chapter and 14th verse, a portion of the latter clause: "Follow me. And he arose and followed him." Elder R. Moore preached from the 3rd chapter of the first Epistle of John, 9th verse: "Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin." Each speaker made lasting impressions apon the minds of their hearers. Collection taken up, 72 cents.

#### FOURTH DAY-EVENING SESSION.

The Assembly met pursuant to adjournment at 2 o'clock p. m. The Chief Elder, W. A. James, in the chair. The Chief then announced the house ready for business.

It was proposed by Elder F. L. Hardy and agreed by Branny Artice, that the matter of Elder W. A. Jenkins be dropped until he meets the Assembly. Carried.

It was proposed by J. W. Boon and agreed by W. S. Wise, that all ministers shall attend the General Assembly. Carried.

It was proposed by I. V. Keys and agreed by W. M. Pettiford, that ministers belonging to certain District Unions shall attend, and no preacher shall be allowed to preach at any Church on the 5th Sunday in the month, except at the Union meeting. Carried.

The brethren on Preaching made their final report, which was received and adopted, and the brethren discharged: on to-night at 7:30 o'clock, Elder A. B. Aycock and Elder A. H. Hargett; and on to-mororw, at 11 o'clock a. m. (Sunday), Elder W. A. James and Elder I. Darden.

HARMAN PEEL, SAMUEL PETTIFORD, W. M. KING,

Brethren.

It was proposed by Jacob McCloud and agreed by Allen Brooks, that the Ex-Assistant Treasurer make his report, which was as follows:

There was charged to me at the Assembly, 1906........\$122.28 Found orders that were misplaced to the amount of..... 100.80

Balance on hand ......\$ 21.48

#### Respectfully submitted,

A. H. HARGETT, Ex-Assistant Treasurer.

It was proposed by W. M. King and agreed by E. D. Warren, that Bro. E. L. Whitfield shall deliver an Education address to-morrow morning, and Bro. J. H. Battle shall deliver the address of thanks. Carried.

Elder. W. A. James, Treasurer of the General Assembly reported as follows: (See Report.)

It was proposed by Elder L. W. Tillet and agreed by Elder E. M. Cox, that Elder W. A. James be re-elected treasurer of the General Assembly, and Elder C. R. D. Whitfield, assistant treasurer. Carried.

It was proposed by J. W. Boon and agreed by R. C. Croom, that the Seven Councilmen make their report. Carried.

The Brethren, of the Seven Councilmen submitted the following report, which was adopted:

We met in Greenville, North Carolina, Jnaury 16th, 1907. We took up the claim against the College lots in Greenville, N. C., which amount was \$50.00. We got a fee simple deed for the same. We bought three more lots, which cost \$450.00, paid \$50.00 cash. We have four years to pay balance due.

Respectfully submitted,
ELDER B. J. GREGORY, Chief,
ELDER W. A. JAMES, Treasurer,
ELDER I. DARDEN,
ELDER C. R. D. WHITFIELD,
ELDER H. C. SPELLER,
ELDER E. D. HILL,
ELDER I. V. KEYS, Scribe,
Seven Councilmen.

It was proposed by Bro. Jacob McCloud and agreed by Bro. J. W. Boon, that Bro. Samuel Pettiford, Treasurer Pro Tem of the General Assembly be paid 50 cents. Carried.

After which the Chief called for the reports of the different brethren. The brethren on Examination and Ordination submitted the following report, which was adopted: Seventeen applicants applied for examination, but only eight passed. We recommend Brethren E. L. Whitfield, John Artice, A. Olds, Henry Murdin, J. S. Johnson, E. W. Williams, J. M. Stephens, C. R. Drake.

J. F. KEYS, Chief,
L. W. TILLET,
W. S. WISE,
H. C. SPELLER,
J. H. FRAZIER, Scribe,
Brethren.

It was proposed by Elder L. M. Simmons and agreed by Elder P. B. Rhem, that Bro. Alonzo Artice, mail carrier for the Assembly, shall have pay for his services. Carried.

It was proposed by Bro. W. M. King and agreed by Bro. E. D. Warren, that Bro. Artice be paid fifty cents a day for three days, \$1.50. Carried.

The Brethren on Temperance reported as follows: After an examination of particulars, we find all well.

E. W. WARREN,
A. G. GRANTHAM,
C. W. WHITAKER,
Brethren.

The Brethren on Grievances submitted the following report: We find all the ministers above reproach, except Elder J. H. Frazier, who is charged of practicing the mourners' bench and the holy dance in his churches.

W. C. DANIELS,
PETER PERRY,
SQUIRE COGDELL,
J. W. CHESSON,
A. M. SMALLWOOD,
Brethren.

It was proposed by Bro. Allen Brooks and agreed by Elder A. B. Aycock, that Elder J. H. Frazier be pardoned. Carried.

The Brethren on Evangelizing submitted the following report: We have agreed to not have an evangelist this year, as we want to spend all the money we can on our College work at Greenville, N. C.

ELDER I. DARDEN, ELDER C. R. D, WHITFIELD, ELDER I. V. KEYS,

Brethren.

The Brethren on Sunday Schools reported as follows: We find represented on the East side of Tar River three Sunday Schools, which was a very meagre report. We recommend they represent next year. We find represented on the West side of the Tar River 18 Sunday Schools, they are in a prosperous condition, and they are beginning to raise money to help erect the College at Greenville, North Carolina. We have in the hands of the Treasurer, Elder C. R. D. Whitfield, \$25.17 on Educational fund.

ELDER W. J. SAWYER, ELDER T. J. A. McLAURIN, ELDER R. B. ALBRITTON,

Brethren.

It was proposed by Bro. J. W. Boon and agreed by Bro. Jacob McCloud, that the same Seven Councilmen be re-elected for the next Asembly year. Carried.

The Brethren on Statistics submitted the following report, which was adopted: (See Statistics.)

J. J. WARD,
W. R. JAMES,
J. H. BATTLE,
Brethren.

The convening of the next General Assembly was taken up and discussed there being no delegate that asked for it, the Chief Elder, W. A. James, ordered the General Assembly to convene with the church at Union Town, Darden, Martin County, North Carolina, on Wednesday before the 4th Lord's Day in October, 1908.

It was proposed by Elder I. V. Keys and agreed by Bro. Allen Brooks, that Elder B. J. Gregory preach the Guide Sermon; on his failure for any cause, Elder J. R. Green. Carried.

There was a collection taken for Bro. A. M. Smallwood, who lost his money, which amounted to \$3.00.

It was proposed by Elder C. Long and agreed by Bro. A. M. Smallwood, that the Seven Councilmen meet with the Church at Goldsboro, N. C., on Wednesday, before the fifth Sunday in March, 1908.

J. C. Cordon, Scribe, was given 60 days to get the Minutes out.

It was proposed by J. W. Boon and agreed by Bro. George Godley, that Elder J. F. Whitley be paid \$5.00. Carried.

It was proposed by Elder I. Darden and agreed by Elder C. R. D. Whitfield, that Elder E. D. Hill be paid \$5.00. Carried.

J. C. Cordon, Scribe, will apply for reduced rates for the benefit of the delegation to the next Assembly.

It was propjosed by H. C. Speller and agreed by A. M. Smallwood, that the Pro Tem Treasurer, Bro. Samuel Pettiford, make his report. Carried. (See report.)

It was proposed by H. C. Speller and agreed by A. M. Smallwood, that Whitaker, that the officer of the General Assembly be settled with. Carried.

The Pro Tem Treasurer, Bro. Samuel Pettiford, submitted the following report, which was adopted:

Received and turned over to the General Assembly... \$ 447.90

Disbursements.	
Elder W. A. James, Chief 5.00	
Elder B. J. Gregory, Assistant Chief 4.00	
J. C. Cordon, Sr., Scribe 55.00	
J. H. Battle, Assistant Scribe, 5.00	
Elder J. J. Ward, on Statistics 3.00	
Elder W. R. James, on Statistics 3.00	
S. Pettiford, Treasurer Pro Tem	
L. Artice, Mail Carrier,	
Elder J. F. Whitley, Superannuated Preacher 5.00	
Elder E. D. Hill, Superannuated Preacher 5.00	
Total\$ 87.00—\$ 87.00	
Balance on hand \$ 360.90	
Respectfully submitted,	
SAMUEL PETTIFORD,	
Pro Tem Treasurer.	
The Assistant Treasurer, Elder C. R. D. Whitfield, reported as follows:	
Received of Assembly at Vine Swamp Oct. 21, '05 \$ 77.07	
Received at Plymouth, N. C., Oct. 27, '06	
Total \$ 152.07	
Disbursements.	
Jan. 16, 1907, by Check to W. B. and Jos. Brown, on	
College lot at Greenville, N. C\$ 50.00	
By order to Elder I Darden, traveling expenses 5.70	
By order to Elder C. R. D. Whitfield, trav. exp 4.30	
Elder I. Darden, trav. exp 6.40	
Total\$ 66.40—\$ 66.40	
Balance on hand \$ 85.67	
Received Institute funds during the year, 1907 \$ 24.31	
Received at Assembly Greenleaf, N. C., Oct. 26, 1907 146.00	
Total amt. in my hands \$ 255.98	
Rspectfully submitted,	
ELDER C. R. D. WHITFIELD,	

Assistant Treasurer.

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Amt. in my hands brought over from Minutes of '06,	\$ :	348.06
Jan. 15, '07, Pd. on College lot at Greenville \$ 50.00		
Registration of Deed		
Traveling expenses, W. A. James 5.70		
Traveling expenses, B. J. Gregory 6.00		
Traveling expenses, I. V. Keys 5.70		
For Deed at Oriental		
Dec. 31, '06, Superannuated 5.00		
June 1904, H. C. Speller, traveling expenses 3.50		
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Total\$ 182.55—	-\$	182.55
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Balance on hand	\$	165.51
Received Institute funds during year, 1907		54.87
Received at the Assembly Greenleaf, N. C., 1907	1	214.90
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Total		435.28
In the hands of Asst. Treas. C. R. D. Whitfield		255.90
Total amount on hand	\$	691.18

Respectfully submitted,

ELDER W. A. JAMES, Treasurer of the General Assembly.

It was proposed and agreed that the Assembly adjourn to convene with the Church at Union Town, Dardens, N. C., Wednesday before the fourth Lord's Day in October, 1908. Carried.

#### FOURTH DAY-NIGHT SERVICES.

• The Finance Solicitors, Elders J. R. Green and W. M. Pettiford, lifted a collection, which resulted in \$6.10. Elder A. H. Hargett lined and sung Hymn 314, "Behold the Saviour of mankind." Read for the opening, the 4th chapter of Timothy. A fervent prayer was offered by Elder L. W. Tillet. Elder A. B. Aycock preached from St. John, 8th chapter and 31st verse: "Then said Jesus to those Jews, which believed on him, if ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed." Elder Aycock preached a very pointed sermon. Elder A. H. Hargett closed the sermon, and we had a reviving meeting. Elder A. H. Hargett extended an invitation. After some remarks by the Chief, he pronounced the Benediction.

#### SUNDAY SERVICES.

The services were opened by Elder W. A. James, who lined Hymn 498, "Children of the Heavenly King." Read for the occasion the 24th chapter of St. Matthew. Prayer was offered by Elder W. A. James. At 9:30 o'clock a. m. Prof. E. L. Whitfield delivered an address upon Education, which was very pointed. After which the Assembly returned Bro. Whit-

field a vote of thanks. The Chief then introduced Prof. J. H. Battle, who in a neat speech, delivered an address of thanks, after which the Assembly returned Prof. J. H. Battle a vote of thanks. The hour appointed for Ordination at 10 o'clock a. m., the applicants, who passed their examination, came forward and were set apart to the Gospel Ministry, viz: J. M. Stephens, J. C. Artice, A. Olds, J. S. Johnson, E. W. Williams, Henry Murdin, E. L. Whitfield, Henry Moore and C. Drake. Elder W. A. James and others officiating. Elder W. A. James read for the occasion the 2nd chapter of 2nd. Timothy. Elder I. Darden lined and sung Hymn 787, "Go preach My Gospel says the Lord." A fervent prayer was offered by Elder I. Darden. The Finance Solicitors raised a collection, which resulted in \$17.25. Elder W. A. James preached from St. John, 10th chapter and 27th verse: "My sheep hear my voice and I know them, and they follow me." Subject, the evidence of my sheep and what sie gives His sheep. The speaker did justice to his subject and made a lasting impression upon the minds of his hearers. Elder I. Darden closed the sermon and extended an invitation, and we had a soul-stirring meeting. Benediction by the Chief Elder, W. A. James.

#### SUNDAY NIGHT.

The services were opened by Elder W. A. James. Hymn for the occasion, 496, "All of you that have confessed." Read for an evening lesson the 10th chapter of the first Corinthians. A fervent prayer was offered by Elder J. R. Green. Sister I. Hinton, of Norfolk, Virginia. was introduced by Elder W. A. James, who preached from Acts, 19th chapter and 41st verse: "And when he had thus spoken, he dismissed the Assembly." Sister Hinton is an able preacher; she preaches with much power. Elder Whitfield closed the sermon and a good meeting prevailed. The Financial Solicitors, W. M. Pettiford and J. R. Green, solicited a collection, which resulted in \$5.65.

This is the close of the General Assembly. We have had a grand session. We now shake the departing hand to meet with the church at Dardens, N. C., on Wednesday before the fourth Lord's Day in October, 1907.

ELDER W. A. JAMES, Chief. ELDER J. C. CORDON, Scribe.

#### RESOLUTIONS AND PROPOSALS.

Whereas, sums of money have been received by the Assembly at various times for one purpose, and when necessity has demanded that it be used for another, these sums of money have been used for the necessary demands instead of being used for the purposes stated; and, feeling that it is a bad precedent to follow and that it should be stopped by the power of the Assembly, and to that end be it

Resolved, That all money paid in during the sitting of the Assembly, or sent to the Assembly shall be paid for the following purposes, viz.:

- 1. Money raised for the expense of the Assembly shall be used to pay for compiling and printing of the minutes.
- 2. Money raised for the missionary work shall be used on missions or for education.

- 3. Money raised for superannuated ministers and members shall be used only for their support.
- 4. There shall be collections raised for the purpose of purchasing a printing press for the Assembly.
- 5. Resolved, That these funds so raised shall not be converted to any other use, unless the question or matter be carried before the congregation of each Church in the Assembly, to be voted upon by them.
- 6. Resolved, That these resolutions shall go into effect on their adoption by the Assembly, and shall not be null and void without the votes of the congregation composing the Assembly.
- 7. Proposal. No man, as a preacher, with the Disciples, shall be allowed to mistreat his wife by staying away from her any longer than he has business to stay. Any preacher with the Disciples that is married and will go away from home and deny having any wife, his license shall be revoked at once. They must feed their wives and clothe them and prepare a place for them to stay. If there shall arise a complaint against any minister belonging with the Disciples the Seven Councilmen shall be notified and they shall investigate the matter, and if they shall find the complaint true against him, he shall be stopped until he gets right.
- 8. Proposal. No man, belonging to the Disciples, shall be allowed to give out circulars, subscription papers, or ask any aid of any congregation that he is not in charge of, for any building purposes, without permission from the pastor in charge.
- 9. Proposal. No man belonging to the Disciples shall be allowed in any of the churches to preach unless he can show printed license from the General Assembly.
- 10. No brother with the Disciples shall be set apart to preach the Gospel unless he has a normal education, good morals, and his Christian character above reproach.
- 11. Proposal. No minister with the Disciples shall be allowed to give a mortgage or a claim on any church or church property, or persuade any congregation to do so.
- 12. Proposal. Any minister that is known to try to divide any congregation with the Disciples for any cause, his license shall be revoked and his name dropped from the minutes.
- 13. Proposal. In case there should occur a vacancy during the intervening of the General Assembly by death, or any other trouble that may occur between church and pastor, the Chief and his Assistant Council shall provide for regular services. No minister shall accept said congregation without permission from the Chief.
- 14. Proposal. Any minister that is present at the General Assembly and shall go away from the Assembly attempting to make void any of its rules shall be counciled.
- 15. Proposal. All ministers that accept the choice of a church or churches, he shall serve for the period chosen, if he possibly can.
- 16. Proposal. Any man coming from the denominations shall not be set to preach for the Disciples until he understands the Gospel as it is taught by the Disciples.
  - 17. Proposal. Any young brother that has been raised up among the

Disciples shall not be set apart to preach the Gospel until pastor and congregation are well satisfied that he is qualified; but he shall be given power by his pastor and congregation to exercise his gift.

- 18. Proposal. All pastors and congregations shall give letters of dismission when requested.
- 19. Each minister is requested to pay into the Assembly annually \$1.50, and ministers in charge of churches are requested to ask their members to pay 25 cents annually.
- 20. Proposal. All members who leave their respective church for the space of twelve months shall apply before leaving for a certificate of absence.
- 21. Proposal. All members that are away from their churches shall correspond as often as once in three months.
- 22. Proposal. All Elders must be connected with some local congregation.
- 23. Proposal. Any member of the church found intemperate shall be tried by the church to which he or she belongs, and if found guilty shall be expelled until reformed. Any preacher found intemperate shall be tried by the Seven Councilmen, and if found guilty he shall be expelled until he reforms.
- 24. Proposal. That no preacher shall be found laying around the congregation of another preacher.
- 25. Proposal. That when the former pastor has resigned a church, or a new pastor is called, the Church shall send a letter of commendation to the Assembly respecting his honor, as he has done.
- 26. Proposal. In towns of five or seven thousand inhabitants, no preacher is allowed to build a new church nearer an old church than one mile, and in the country not nearer than four miles.
- 27. Proposal. I, W. A. James, propose that no minister belonging with the Disciples, who knowingly do not conform to the agreements of the General Assembly, or use his influence in their congregations for the same, he shall not be elected to any office or an appointment of the General Assembly.
- 28. Proposal. Any member of any of the local congregations, who does not do his or her duty in their congregation, they shall not be allowed any voice in the congregation to which he or she belongs, nor shall not be elected for a delegate to the General Assembly or Union Meeting or any other important meeting.
- 29. Proposal. Each member of the church is requested to pay Ten cents every three months, Institute funds, and money collected on the East side of Tar River be sent to the Treasurer, Elder W. A. James, that on the West side of the Tar River be sent to the Assistant Treasurer, Elder C. R. D. Whitfield.
  - 30. Proposal. That each delegate pay at the next General Assembly \$1.00.
- 31. Proposal. Each pastor will hold a Children's Day in each of his churches during the months of May, June, July or August, 1908, and the collections shall go for the benefit of erecting the Christian College in Greenville, N. C.
- 32. Proposal. No member with the Disciples shall not join a Secret Order, those that are in one shall come out, and those out shall stay out.

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